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AMENDMENT

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SIR:

In response to the Office Action of May 8, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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02 FC:103

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IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend Claims 18 and 26 to read as follows:<sup>1</sup>

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18. (Amended) A network control system comprising:  
a computer network;  
a plurality of image forming apparatuses connected to said computer network, each  
image forming apparatus configured to record an image on a recording paper;  
a server connected to said computer network and configured to store a graphic layout  
of an operation panel of all of the plurality of image forming apparatuses connected to said

<sup>1</sup>A marked-up copy of the amendments is attached hereto.